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X1 1. [REDACTED] LIAISON Met with Ed Braswell, on the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, to bring him up to date on the work we were doing on S. Res. 400 and also to bring him up to date on the situation with respect to the Tunney amendment to the Foreign Assistance Act as it is being discussed in the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee.

On the subject of S. Res. 400, I told Braswell I was having some real concern about the possibility that the Senate Rules Committee would wind up splitting jurisdiction between a new oversight committee and the Armed Services Committee, putting subpoena power for so-called abuses in the oversight committee and leaving budget authorization to Armed Services. Both Braswell and I agreed that this was not a desirable solution. We discussed the possibility of a change in the Senate Rules which would establish a permanent subcommittee under the Armed Services Committee, with "reserve seats," i. e., specific representation from the Appropriations, Government Operations, and Foreign Relations Committees in addition to several at-large seats which could be filled by appointment by the leadership. We agreed that this was a possible solution, although the odds are probably against it on the Senate floor. Braswell mentioned that they had asked Deputy Secretary of Defense Robert Ellsworth to come before the Committee sometime next week to brief them on the problems which split authorization would give the Defense Department. Braswell said he wanted us to understand that they were not going around Mr. Bush on this but felt that this particular problem was unique to Defense. (Braswell fully understands our authorization problem.) 25

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2. [Redacted] HEARINGS Attended the second day of hearings before the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration on S. Res. 400. Although six witnesses were scheduled, the Committee spent the entire session questioning Senator Frank Church (D., Idaho). (See Memorandum for the Record.)

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3. [Redacted] LEGISLATION I spoke with David Bushong, on the staff of Senator James Pearson (R., Kans.), just before the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration hearings began. Bushong has been handling this issue for the Senator and drafted S. 2983, Senator Pearson's oversight proposal. We discussed the Agency's sources and methods proposal, and Bushong said he thought Senator Pearson would be willing to introduce a slightly watered-down version if Senator John Tower (R., Tex.) or Senator John Stennis (D., Miss.) decided against it. He asked that we keep him informed of Senate or Executive branch action on the bill.

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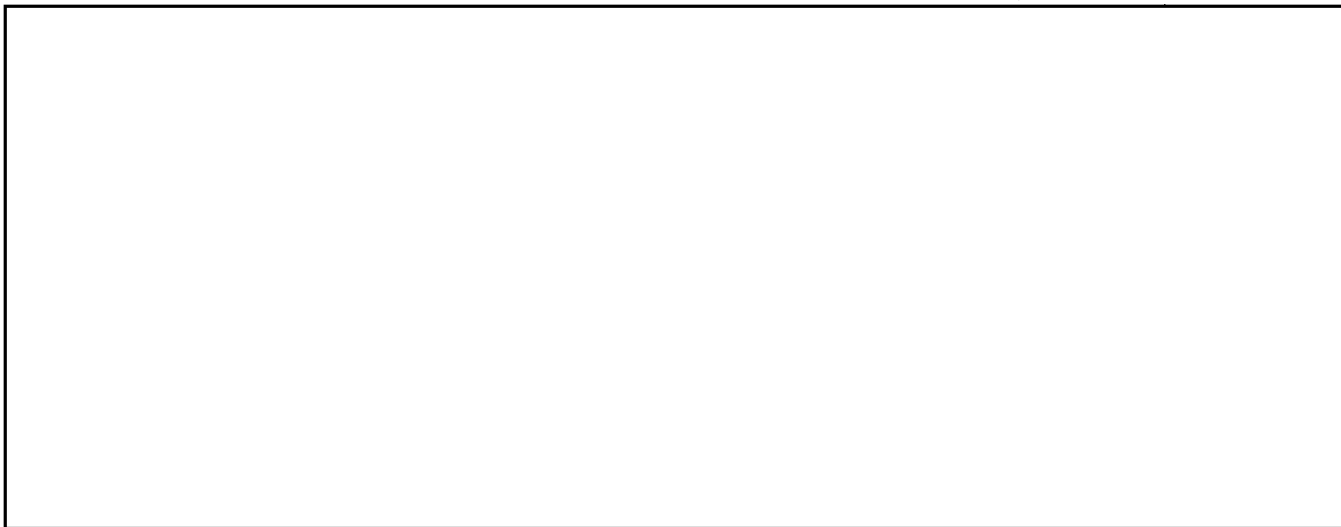
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10. [REDACTED] LIAISON Called Larry Smith, on the Senate Rules Committee staff, in response to his call to Mr. Cary. Smith agreed that the Director had made clear his desire for concentrated, exclusive oversight, but that in light of the tug-of-war going on in the Rules Committee now over S. Res. 400, that principle might be sacrificed to political expediency. Smith thought that our interest in this regard should be reiterated through a letter to Senator Howard Cannon (D., Nev.), Chairman of the Committee.

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AT 13. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called Ed Hall, Counsel, Senate Rules Committee, who is handling the Federal Election Campaign Act. I discussed the Agency's problem with Senator James Allen's (D., Ala.) amendment on financial disclosure. Hall fully appreciated our point and suggested that I provide him with some back-up material on this. He also suggested that we send a quick note directly to Senator Howard Cannon (D., Nev.), Chairman of the Committee, to alert him of the problem.

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AT 15. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES Dropped off with Ed Hall, Counsel, Senate Rules Committee, and Dick Gentry, Legislative Assistant to Senator James Allen (D., Ala.), fact sheets and suggested remedial language on the financial disclosure section of the Federal Election Campaign Act.

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